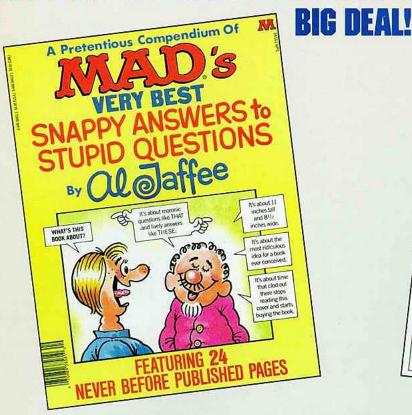


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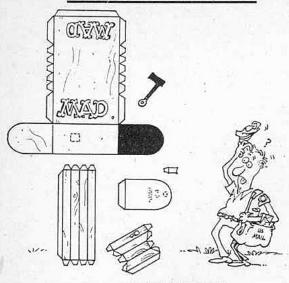
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LETTERS AND TOMATOES DEPT.



"EMPTY MESS"

MAD has always been a part of my life. As a puppy, I was house trained on it. As an adult, I look forward to reliving my youth on the issue featuring your satire of my show "Empty Nest"!

> Bear (Dreyfus the dog) assisted by David Leisure (Charley the neighbor)



Actor David Leisure and canine Dreyfus enjoy "Empty Mess" in an as-yet unsoiled copy of MAD #294.

At one point in your TV satire "Empty Mess' in MAD #294, Kristy McNichol's T-shirt says "These little darlings appear in Half Moon Junction." Wrong! The correct film title is "Two Moon Junction." You guys have short changed her by one and a half moons!

> Val Balagot Hercules, CA

We feel like real boobs!-Ed.



SUPER SPECIAL COMMENTS

I bought the "MAD In Your Face" Super Special #71 and used the bonus "Dorky Door Hang-Up" that says "Have you kissed your doorknob today?" Well, thanks to you, my girlfriend is kissing my doorknob more times than she kisses me!

> Bill Petot Fisherville, KY

Bill—it's a good thing you don't have revolving doors or you'd never see her! (Note: for an ex-planation of this gag, send \$5.00 to Merkle Press, Box 12.)—Ed.

INSCRUTABLY MAD



Hey! The brand new Chinese edition of MAD is now available to read-in or take-out at newsstands all over Hong Kong, Taiwan, Malaysia and Singapore! Above is their first cover, drawn by artist J.J.J., who will be at the San Diego Comic Convention in August! Fa!

NEW KIDS ON THE CHOPPING BLOCK

We are very disappointed by your failure to include New Kids On the Block on "The MAD Dart Board" in issue #293. This group is thoroughly hated by all of the guys in our junior high school (unless they're schmucks!) and we cringe at the thought of their eardrum-piercing high voices. If you would, please include N.K.O.T.B. in one of your upcoming issues. We are sure all of the guys at our school would buy an issue and maybe even a subscription if you made fun of New Kids on the Block!

Paul Lephart Jason Przybylski Neenah, WI

Paul—"The MAD N.K.O.T.B. True-False Personality Quiz" is on page 24. The subscription form is inside the front cover. Looking forward to see-ing you and all your buddies' checks clear!—Ed.

ONE CLAYMATION, UNDER GUARD...

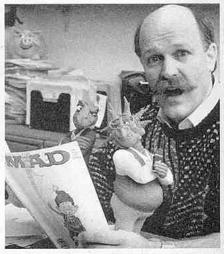
We've been racking our brains trying to think of a way to say that while we dig MAD and love being mentioned in issue #293's "When Pressure Groups Really Take Over," your misuse of our registered trademark, Claymation, is a cause of some concern. Perhaps the following ditty will help:

Frank Perdue is a true ectomorph, But he's clearly no "claymation dwarf." Claymation®, you see, Is a trademark that we Have reserved (something da-da-da) wharf.

The last line is a little rough, but "wharf" is the only other rhyme we could think of. Actually, "ectomorph" was no piece of cake, either. We'll keep working on it.

Will Vinton Will Vinton Productions, Inc. Portland, OR

Claymation, shmaymation! Go ahead and sue us! We don't care! Our sparkplug attorney Jack Albert says we have nothing to worry about! He says you'll be like putty in his hands! Funny guy, Jack!—Ed.



Will Vinton and his Play-Doh-like friends scrutinize MAD for further mentions of Will's registered, exclusive clay animation process. What would Gumby say about this?

SEPARATED AT AFTERBIRTH?

This may sound weird, but is there some resemblance between Chic Glitz as shown in MAD and Blink Funlove, who hosts "You

Want it, You Got it' on Nickelodeon's "Total Panic"? Chris Woods

New Orleans, LA

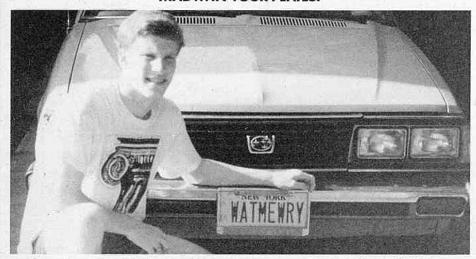
Good eyel Yes, they are related. They're brother and sister!—Ed.





Chic Glitz in MAD #294 ... Blink Funlove on Nickelodeon

MAD... IN YOUR PLATES!



Steve Landis of Bellmore, NY, paid the Department of Motor Vehicles an extra \$50.00 for his "WATMEWRY" license plates, figuring we'd print his photo on our letters page if he did. Wouldn't the money have been better spent on some dashboard air freshener, Steve??

FINAL JEOPARDY?

When I was informed of MAD's unauthorized use of the "Jeopardy" format, I was prepared to sue. When I read it, however, I laughed so hard I couldn't find my lawyer's telephone number!

Merv Griffin Creator, "Jeopardy" Los Angeles, CA

Merv—Sue us if you want, but our sparkplug Attorney Jack Albert reminds you: all of your subpoenas MUST be in the form of a question!

"GET A LIFE"

In your article "Get A Life!" (MAD #294), you forgot one: "If you won't let your friends fold the MAD fold-in because you think that it will be a collector's item some day... GET A LIFE!!!"

Cadet Matt O'Neal The Citadel Charleston, SC

Here's another one we forgot: If you're a cadet at some winky-dink armed services academy with dreams of becoming a big military hero, but then peace breaks out followed by a huge Defense Dept. budget cut... GET A LIFE!!!—Ed.



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AN IMPORTANT CONSUMER MESSAGE FROM THE PUBLISHER OF MAD MAGAZINE

Recently, there have been a number of TV ads that ask for your opinion on current issues. They claim that your opinion will be sent to the President or to someone else important.

What most consumers are unaware of is the fact that these calls & cost the caller anywhere from \$2 to \$10 each! These outrageous & charges are buried at the bottom of the screen in tiny type.

☆I think that Congress should outlaw these "scam" telephone☆
☆ "opinion polls"! What do you think?

If you agree with me call 1-900-YES
If you disagree with me call 1-900-NO
All votes will be counted!

Yours for a scam-free America,

William Mildred Farnsworth Higgenbottom Gaines IX

Leach call costs \$2500 each plus a 20% gratuity. If you're not sure how you feel, call each number once to vote both "yes" ward "no". A portion of this money will be used to run this message in other magazines to make even more money to run this was message in even more magazines.

MAD MINUTE UPDATE

After five years on the air, "The MAD Minute" is still going strong! MAD minutes are your favorite bits from MAD as well as original radio lunacy, performed by our own Dick DeBartolo, Sara Fowler and other assorted wackos! Here's a list of radio stations currently playing the Minute. If yours isn't on the list, tell them to send a request on radio station letterhead to: The MAD Minute, c/o MAD Magazine, 485 MADison Ave., New York, NY 10022.

WISCONSIN ALABAMA **NEW YORK** WSIA, Staten Island WEGL, Auburn U. KUWS, Super WOWN, Tigerton WRNP, New Paltz COLORADO WFLY, Albany WBSD, Burlington KIQX, Durango **NORTH CAROLINA** CANADA FLORIDA WKHC, Raleigh CKTS, Quebec WIPC, Lake Wales ISRAEL WONN, Lakeland WMAD, Tampa WITE, Tiffin TIRS GEORGIA PENNSYLVANIA SWEDEN WSIZ, Ocilla WKYU, Villanova TABY WSGB, Hummelstown MAINE CALIFORNIA TENNESSEE WDJS, Bangor **KXBX**, Lakeport WCOT. Winchester KWTR, Lakeport 2TT32IIH3A22AM KNBR, San Francisco VIRGINIA WEIM, Fitchburg WBKN, Brookhaven KXO, El Centro WINO, Great Falls WAMB, Abingdon **NEBRASKA** WASHINGTON KELN, North Platte

VIOLENT REACTION

There was an interesting juxtaposition of articles in your March, 1990 issue (#293). In "Spy Vs. Spy" on page 14, the hilarious punchline shows the Black Spy getting incinerated by a blow-dryer that had been changed into a flame-thrower. On page 18, the punchline of Duck Edwing's "Tales from the Duck Side" shows the pilot of a helicopter being ejected straight up into the rotor and cut into slices like a hard-boiled egg. Then, on page 22, in "A MAD Peek Behind the Scenes on the Set of a Slasher Movie," you berate horror movies for being "senseless," having "unprovoked violence" and just one gory murder after another without rhyme nor reason."

You probably just did that to see if anybody would notice. You guys would never be guilty of the same crass practices that you criticize in others, would you?

Bennett Arnstein Los Angeles, CA

You know, Ben-wa, it's guys like you that make us want to stop publishing MAD and go back to our first love—ballet!—Ed.

MORON MAIL

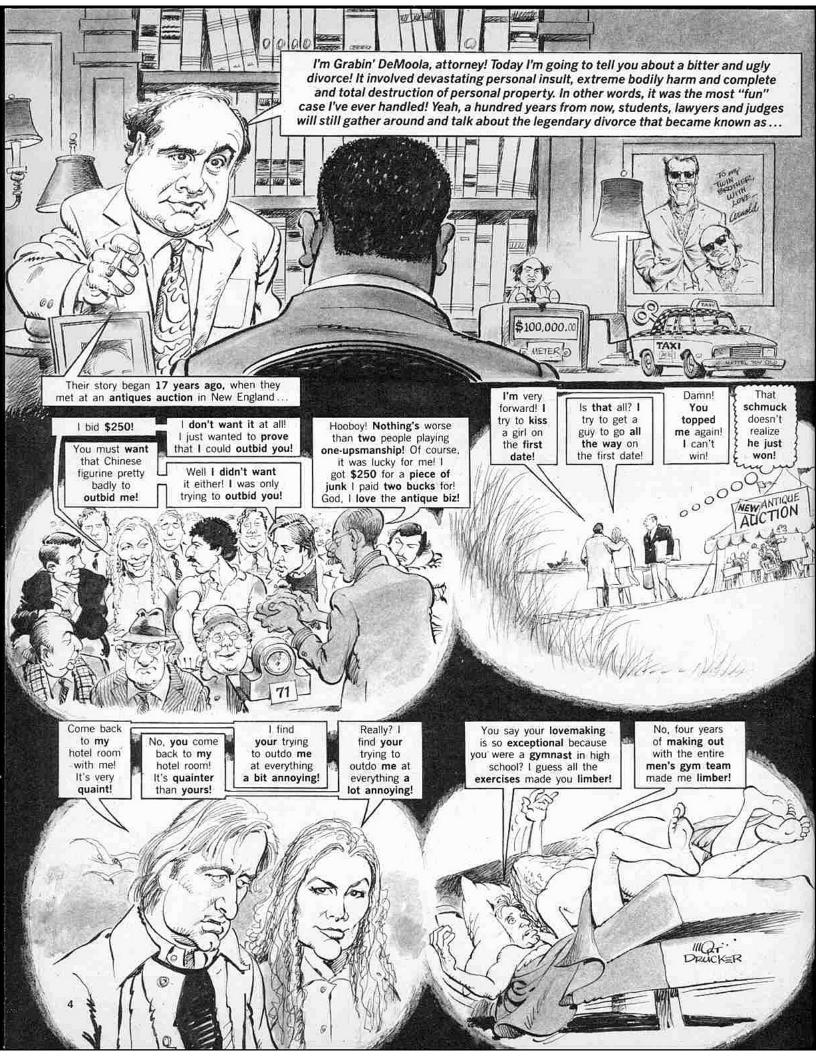
I've been reading MAD for three years and I've just noticed that you have the same guy on each cover. What's up?

Kendall Babl Boulder, CO

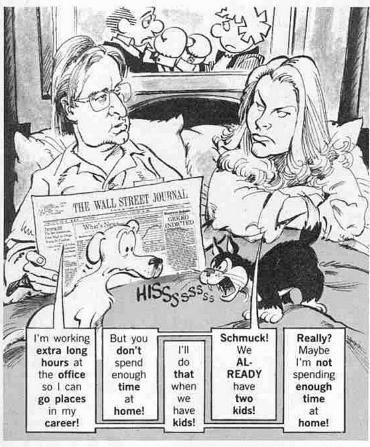
What's up, Bucko? Obviously not your test scores!—Ed.

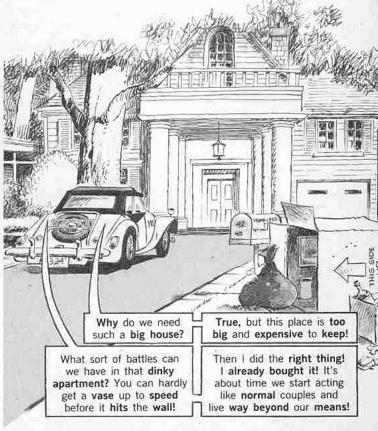
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MAD welcomes reader submissions. Manuscripts will not be returned or acknowledged, however, unless they are accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped fluoroscope!



THE GORE OF THE ROSES





ARTIST: MORT DRUCKER

WRITER: DICK DEBARTOLO



They had it all! A house, two kids, beautiful furniture and valuable antiques! He was made

a junior law partner, she had a successful

catering business. Everything was in such good

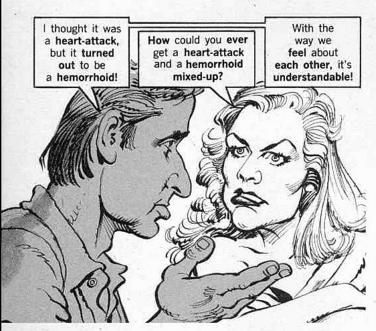
taste. I was a little uncomfortable taking my

bimbos there and making out at their dinner

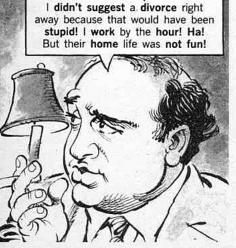
table! But still, the Roses were not content!







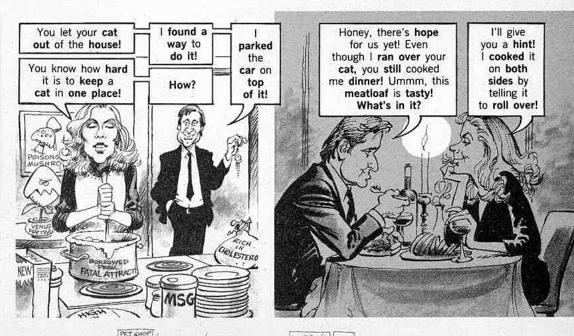




They started fighting real bad

and then things took a turn for the better! Better for me!

Oilier hired me to represent him!





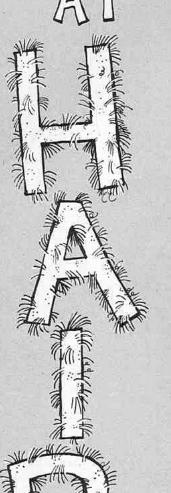


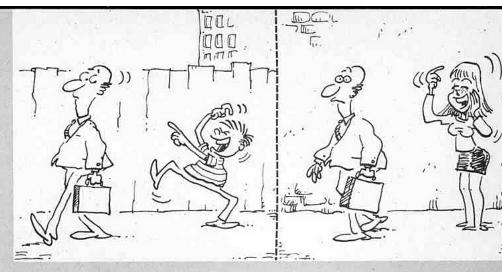




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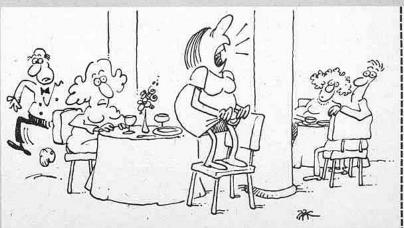


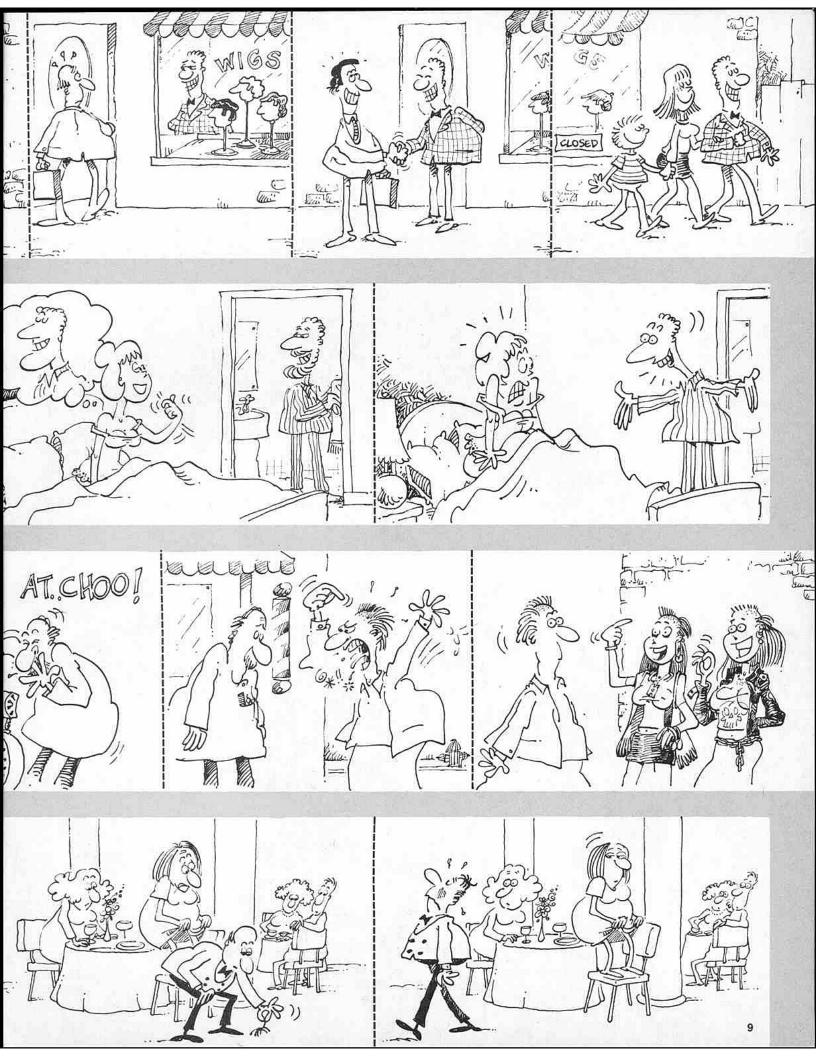


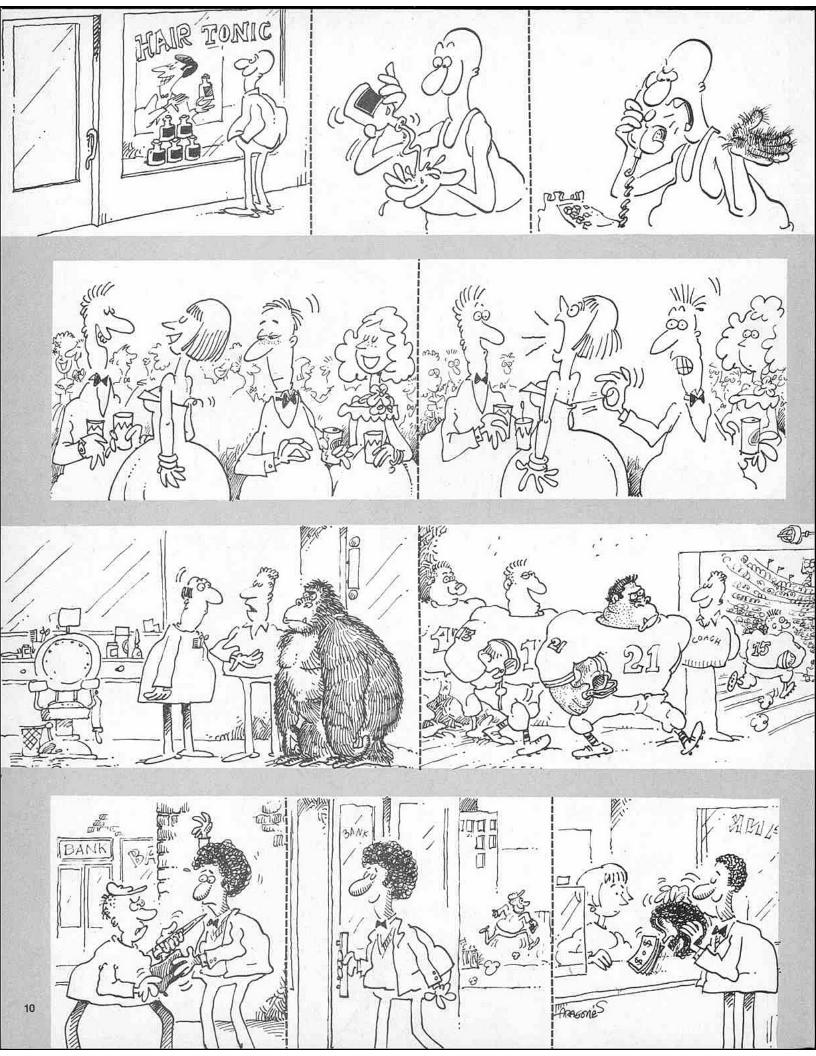
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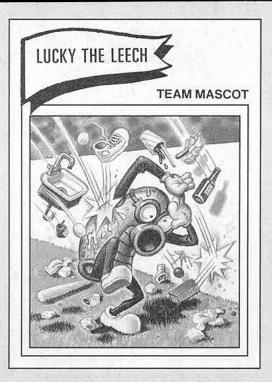






FROM TOPPS TO BOTTOM DEPT.

In major league baseball it doesn't matter how lousy a player you are—even the most anemic scrub is qualified to be immortalized in a baseball card, while some of the game's most integral characters will never know 3X5 cardboard fame! It's time this gross injustice was corrected by adopting MAD's suggestions for...



LUCKY THE LEECH

TEAM MASCOT



Fun Facts: The amount of garbage and junk food thrown at Lucky by the fans during a typical homestand would feed the Republic of Tunisia for one year.

Everyone who has ever donned the Lucky mascot suit has died of heat prostration within 36 hours of taking the job.

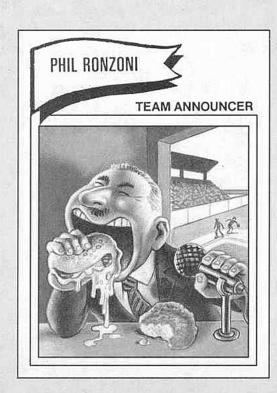
Quote: "Okay, fans! Give me a 'J'! Hey, c'mon, give me a 'J'! Let's go—ow! Stop kicking me! Help!"

MAKING BASEBALL CARD COLLECTIONS COMPLETE

A Tribute To Our National Pastime's Unsung Heroes

ARTIST: JOHN POUND

WRITER: DESMOND DEVLIN



PHIL RONZONI

TEAM ANNOUNCER



Fun Facts: Was behind the mike for a record 17 consecutive games without once announcing the score.

His campy singing of "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" during the seventh inning stretch never fails to inspire any true fan to cast a teary eye toward the broadcast booth and say, "Now I know what death is like."

Quote: "Mmmm-mm, these crumb buns from Sal's bakery are great. I believe they've been heated up... Hey, what's that man doing on third? Did a run score? Bernie, what happened?"





KURT "KOUGH IT UP" KOLLINS

PLAYER AGENT

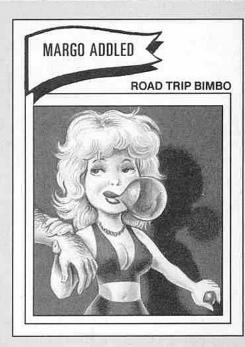


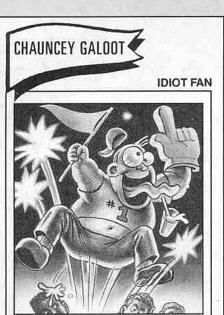
Fun Facts: Had an incentive clause inserted in Dave Whiffle's contract which gave him an extra \$200,000 for "coming to play."

When "Kough It Up" heard an announcer claim that his client, Wally Joyride; always gave 110%, he demanded a 10% hike in Joyride's salary (and in his commission)!

Quote: "I deserve my money. I hammer out agreements, meet with owners, check the stock; market and chase down sponsors. All my clients do is play baseball!"







CHAUNCEY GALOOT

IDIOT FAN



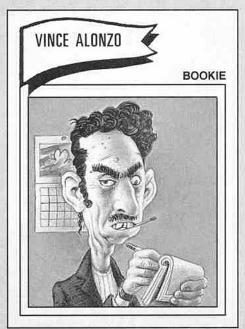
Fun Facts: Painted a baseball onto his face which wouldn't come off for two months; the incident cost him his job as circuit court judge.

Shows his enthusiasm when home team scores a run by firing a small cannon filled with beer, sauerkraut and pizza crusts on unsuspecting fans sitting below.

Quote: "No, I need something that says, 'class.' How about the Elephant Man rubber mask?"







VINCE "SNAKE EYES" ALONZO

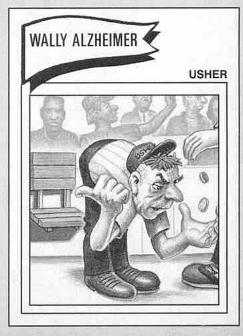
BOOKIE



Fun Facts: Lost two million bucks to former manager Pete Moss; won back twice that much by laying 3-to-1 at his legal hearing.

Cleared a fortune at his local movie theater in 1988 by getting suckers to bet on the Black Sox in Eight Men Out.

Quote: "My proudest contribution to baseball is inventing the Tommy Lasorda Body Wizard Over-Under Bet!"



MARGO ADDLED

ROAD TRIP BIMBO



Fun Facts: As part of her 50–50 settlement, demanded that she be credited in the official league stat book with 108 of Suede Bugs' 216 hits in 1989

Margo was "appalled" at the sensational media circus that publicized only the cheap, smutty aspects of her story, and said so in an interview in Panthouse Magazine, where she appeared naked.

Quote: "Til be able to correct that hitch in your stroke as soon as we check the films."



RICHARD MILHOUS SPINEGRABBER TEAM OWNER RANK RANK

RICHARD MILHOUS SPINEGRABBER XIII

TEAM OWNER, NEW YORK—NEW JERSEY—DENVER—PHOENIX— OKEEFENOKEE YANKOVICHS



Fun Facts: Last September, he canceled Fan Appreciation Day, kept all the ticket money, and told the fans he really appreciated it.

He's moved his team so often that there are skidmarks on home plate; pioneered the first Port-A-Stadium.

Quote: Complimented on his big fat money belt, he said, "But I'm not wearing any belt!"



"SQUINTY" LONGSTREET

UMPIRE



Fun Facts: The somewhat plump "Squinty" was able to assist the Pittsburgh field crew last season during a rain delay by covering the pitcher's mound with a pair of his shorts.

He got such a thrill from bumping manager Pete Moss during a heated argument that the two bought a bungalow when the season ended.

Quote: "Is it four strikes and three balls, or the other way around?"



ANDY ANABOLIC TEAM DOCTOR

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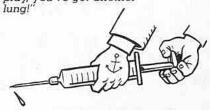
TEAM DOCTOR



Fun Facts: Once called off an operation on account of rain and covered his patient with a tarp.

First doctor to offer free checkups for fans on "Groin Pull Night."

Quote: "Get out there and play, you've got another lung!"



WALLY ALZHEIMER

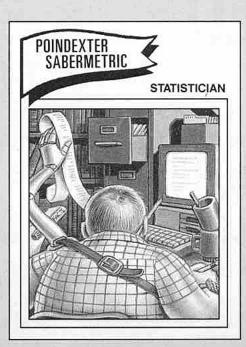
USHER



Fun Facts: Because he feels that baseball's past is its finest legacy, Wally hasn't cleaned his seat rag since 1978.

Alzheimer boasts the only toupee in the game that is actually made out of artificial turf.

Quote: "Hey you! Yes, you with the semi-automatic rifle! Lemme check your stub!"



POINDEXTER SABERMETRIC

STATISTICIAN



Fun Facts: Can compute any player's stolen bases/ caught stealing ratio in seconds, yet doesn't know who won the World Series last year.

Poindexter sells stats to agents for contract negotiations that conclusively prove why most players are "uncrowned MVPs," and sells stats to the owners that prove those same players are uncoordinated schmucks!

Quote: "Every time I watch Pride of the Yankees I cry, not so much because Lou Gehrig dies but because I might've paid sixty bucks for him in rotisserie!"



KIDDIE CUM LAUDE DEPT.

Recently, a West Coast minister wrote a best-selling book entitled All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten. At MAD our immediate response was, "What took you so long, Reverend?" We've always known that kindergarten teaches kids how to share, how to pick up their toys, and how to operate heavy machinery. But most kids learn other skills long before age five—how to brown nose, how avoid blame and how to play dumb! Just think back and surely you'll agree with us that...

ALL YOU NEED **TO KNOW** YOU LEARNED NURSERY

ARTIST: PAUL COKER

WRITER: TOM KOCH



If you think you may mess things up, be sure there's someone else handy to blame it on.



Never volunteer for anything unless you're positive someone else will get picked.



Only guys with empty sand pails say they'll stop throwing sand in your face if you'll stop throwing it in theirs.



Don't waste time crying until there's somebody important around to hear you.



If you never do anything, you can't get chewed out for doing part of it wrong.



After you break something, be sure you're not still there when someone finds out.



The only good time to start a fight is when the other person isn't ready.



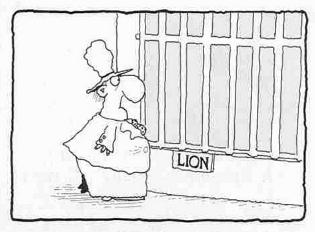
Being offered a cookie by somebody who doesn't even like you usually means it's a lousy cookie.



Never do your best, or they'll expect you to be that good every time.

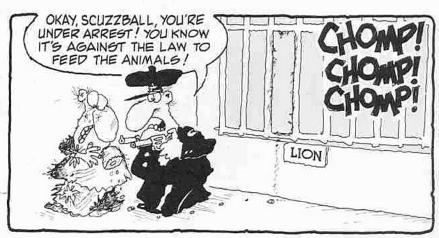
WHEN BEAST MEETS JEST DEPT.

DUCK EDWING ON THE LOOSE



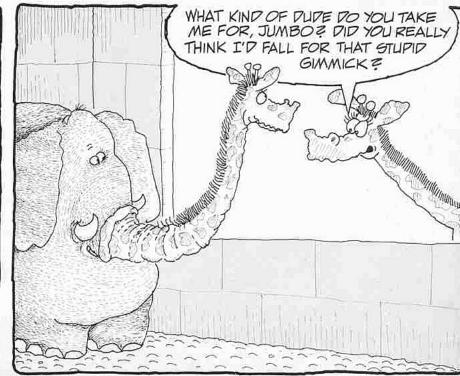






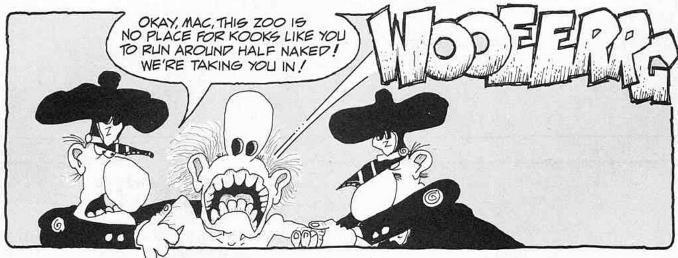
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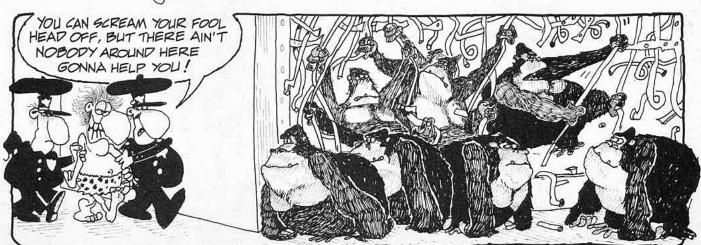




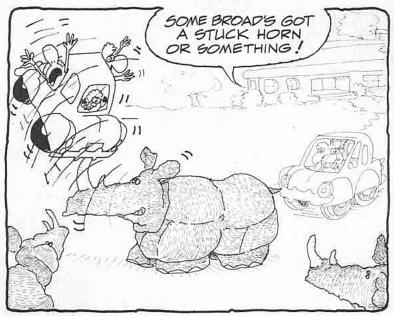
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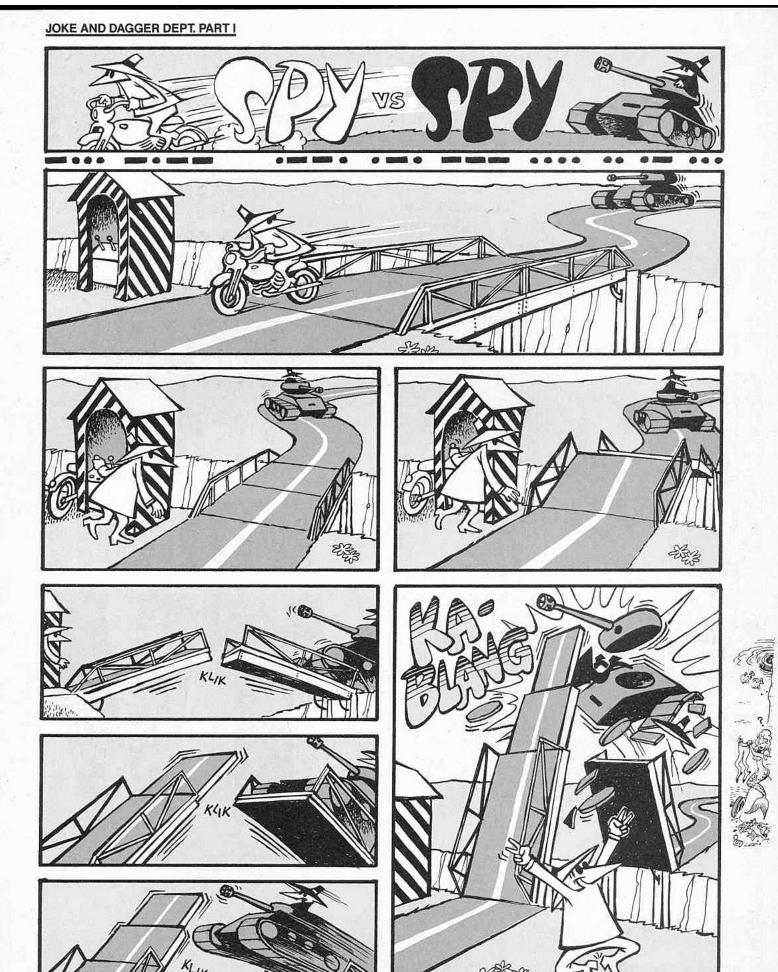












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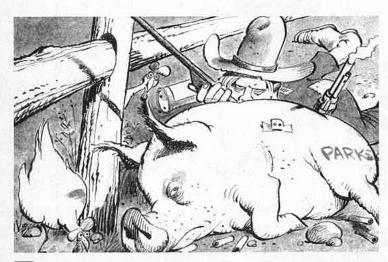
TAUGHT IN THE ACT DEPT.

TV gets blasted for being a mind-numbing time-waster, programmed solely for airheaded couch potatoes. But isn't that criticism a bit harsh? MAD thinks TV can be very enlightening! In fact, every sitcom, soap opera and crime show gives us ideas we just don't get anywhere else. You'll see what we mean when we point out these...





In cases where large estates are willed to two or more beneficiaries, one of them is certain to murder the other before the money can be distributed.



The financial crisis crippling American agriculture has come about because most farmers are demented hermits who spend all their time shooting at strangers.

IMPORTANT THINGS WE'D NEVER LEARN WITHOUT

ARTIST: MORT DRUCKER

WRITER: TOM KOCH









Under our present judicial system, many dangerous criminals now end up in a courtroom where so much horseplay is in progress that the judge forgets to sentence them.



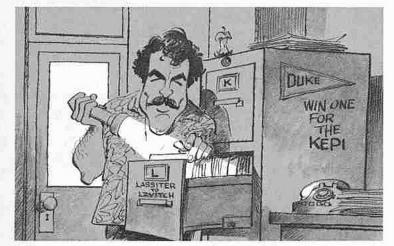
The average parent is either a single mom with no social life or a divorced dad who can't cook. Couples seldom have kids, but may adopt ethnic, wise-cracking orphans.



All slum dwellers have three things in common: They never use good grammar, they never wash their kids' faces, and they never open their doors more than a crack.



If heavy drinking is done with buddies and confined to places of good fellowship, one can booze it up for years without becoming an alcoholic—or even getting tipsy.



All private eyes keep their own office in an impossible mess, but are skilled at finding every important paper in a strange office in 30 seconds—in the dark.

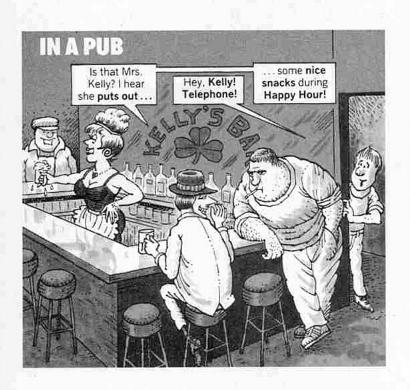


The average American ten-year-old no longer wants to be a fireman or an astronaut when he grows up. He wants to be Henny Youngman.

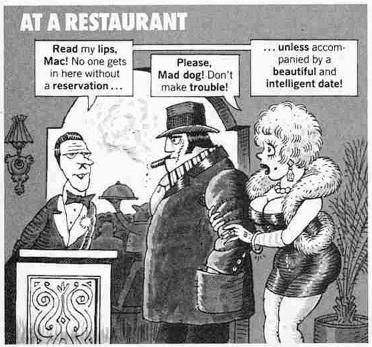
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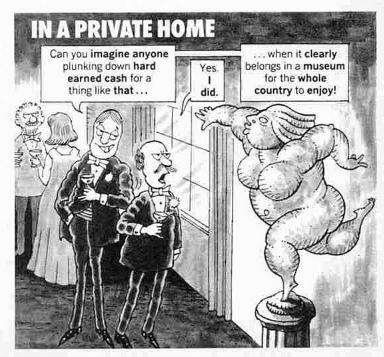
You've done it again—you've said the wrong thing. You've offended someone. And now he's going to punch your lights out. Should you clam up? No! Keep talking! If You keep talking you might

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get out of trouble. (Then again, you might get smashed in the face!) We offered this advice before (MAD #278)—did it help? Oh. Well—you have nothing to lose! That's why we're giving you

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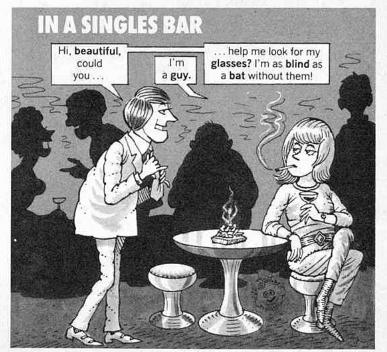


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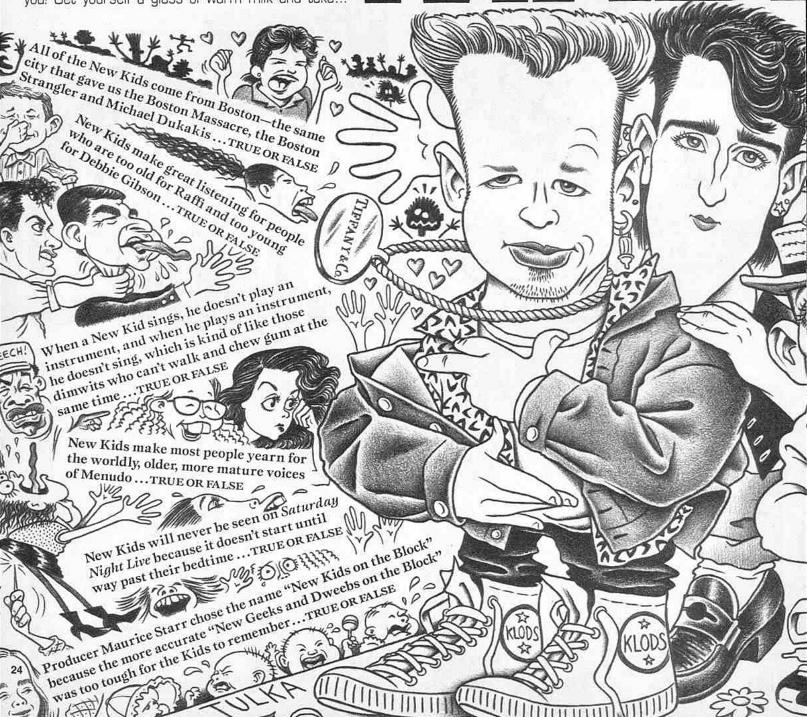




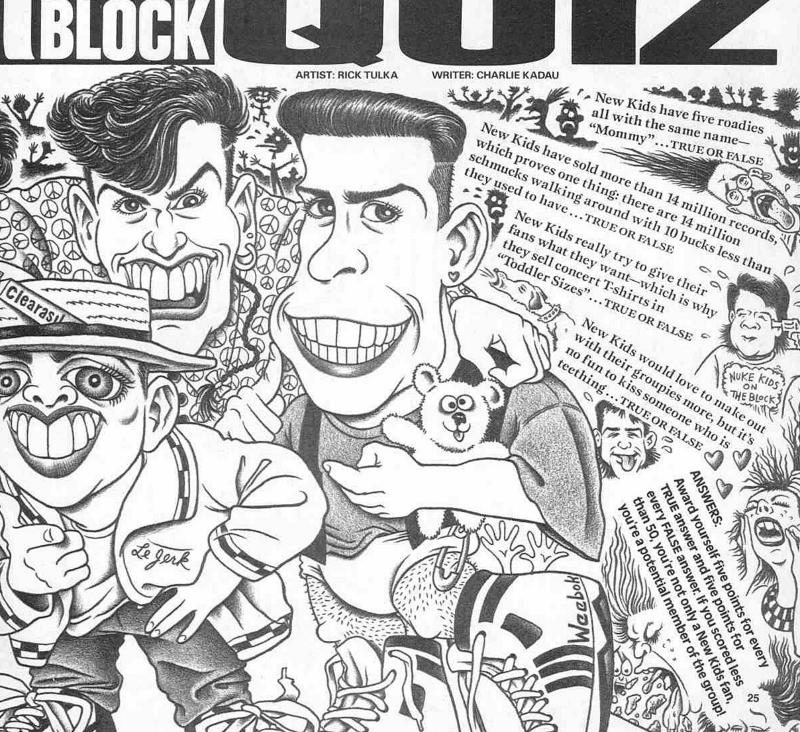


BOYS WILL BE BORES DEPT.

Yeah, yeah, we know...You've got their CDs, seen their videos, bought their posters and T-shirts, called their 900# and even had someone read their book to you! But what do you **really** know about Joe, Jon, Jordan, Danny and Donnie? Did you know that they didn't form the way most bands do, but instead are the product of the manipulative mind of a pandering record producer that put the group together much like Dr. Frankenstein put together his monster? You knew that? Good! Did you know that they actually think their mindless bubblegum songs are state-of-the-art rap and rock music? You knew that too, huh? Well here are some **really** tough mind-benders for you! Get yourself a glass of warm milk and take...



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COMMUNICATION

Dad, I've been talking to you for the last ten minutes and you haven't heard a word I said! Huh? Oh, sure I heard you! Whatever you said is okay!



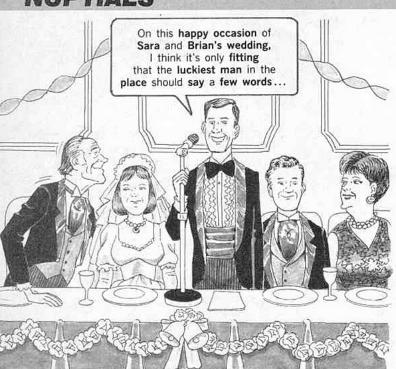
Next time I'll listen!



BERG'S-EYE VIEW DEPT.

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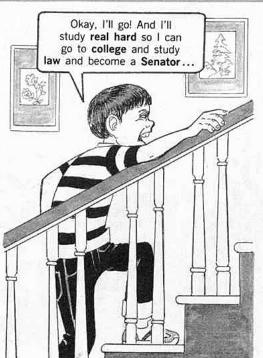




THE FUTURE

You're grounded! Now go up to your room and do your homework!







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ARTIST & WRITER: DAVE BERG

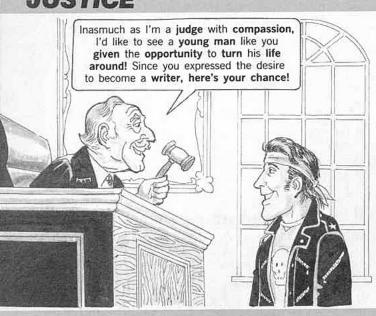
BUYING HOMES







JUSTICE





RELATIONSHIPS



... and there's only one way to find out! I'm dumping you, creep!

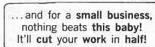


SIBLINGS

Ayla, what's going on in here? It's Maya! She keeps imitating everything I do!



COMPUTER LIVING





Really! Can you give me a demonstration?



Sorry, I can't do that right now! All the computers are down!



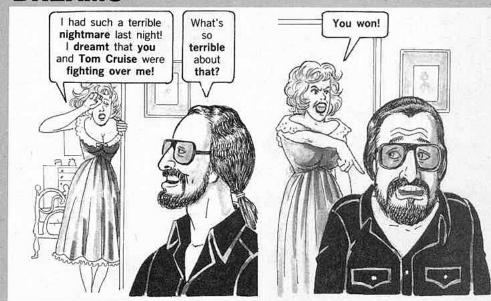
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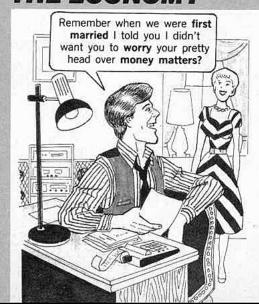
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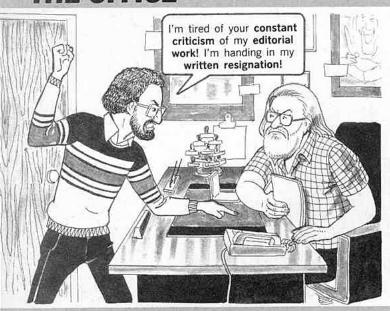
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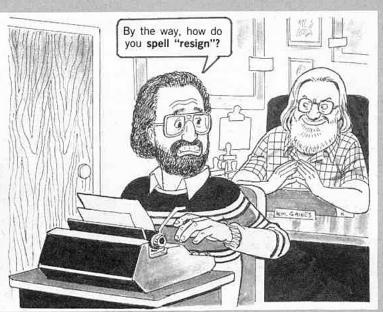






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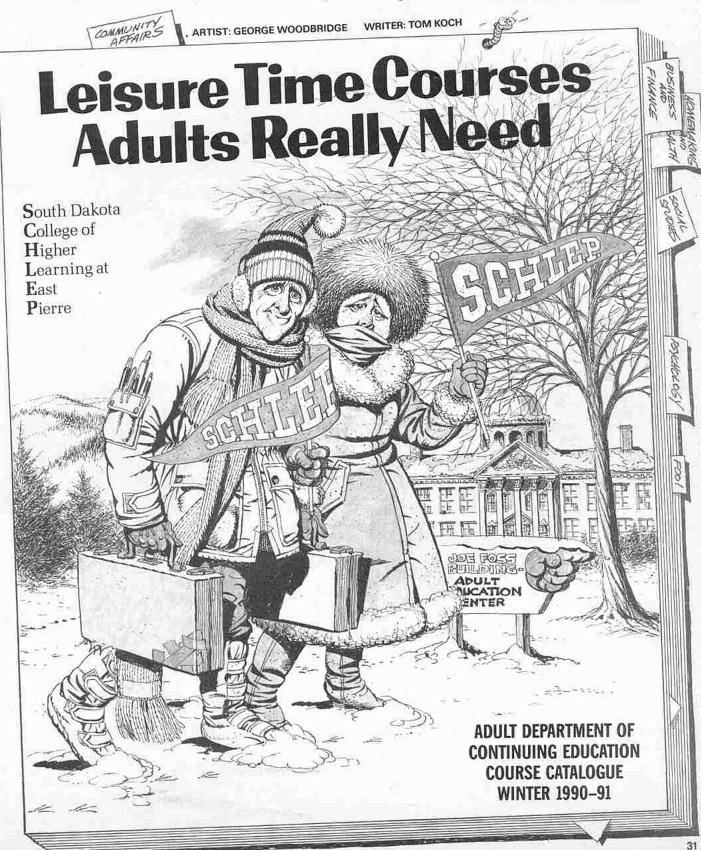


DOCTORS





Most colleges in urban areas now offer a program of classes, lectures and workshops where adults can put their leisure time to good use learning new skills. Unfortunately, the courses offered to older students in these Continuing Education Programs consist of "Introduction to Macramé," "Japanese Flower Arranging," "Aerobic Dancing" and other such drivel. As MAD sees it, very few lives are tremendously enriched by acquiring those skills. And the waste of time is especially unfortunate when we live in a world where everyday survival calls for more knowledge than most of us have managed to acquire. College Administrators in charge of Continuing Education Programs might do well instead, to offer...



COMMUNITY AFFAIRS



INTRODUCTION TO NEIGHBORHOOD SNOOPING

Familiarizes the student with proven techniques for discovering every scandalous detail about the drinking habits, financial affairs and love lives of those living nearby. Lectures deal with obtaining information through careful scrutiny of next-door package arrivals, girl friend departures, garbage can contents, furniture repossessions, etc. A good basic course for either the career busybody or the part-time gossip.

INSTRUCTOR: Mrs. Pry
Fridays, 6–9 P.M. Room 206, Dimlylit Hall

SUPERMARKET CHECK-OUT TECHNIQUES

Acquaints the grocery buying novice with accepted methods for avoiding slow moving check-out lines, cashing checks without proper I.D., slyly redeeming expired coupons and reading the whole National Enquirer without paying for it while waiting.

INSTRUCTOR: Mr. Somekid Saturdays, 1–3:30 P.M. Room 404, Huntz Hall

TERRORIZING NEIGHBORHOOD CHILDREN

Practical instruction for the grouchy adult who wants little brats throughout the area to understand that he definitely is NOT their pal. Lab sessions deal with best methods for drenching Halloween trick-or-treaters, swatting young trespassers with flat objects to avoid leaving bruise marks and howling maniacally at tots as they pass by on their way to kindergarten.

INSTRUCTOR: Mrs. Broomflyer
Thursday 7–9 P.M. Room 107, Hiring Hall

SUBURBAN NUISANCING

Teaches sure-fire methods to recent home buyers who wish to discourage overtures of friendship from their boring new neighbors. Techniques to be mastered include early morning lawn mowing, late night drum practicing, mid-summer cabbage barbecuing and mid-winter TV interference creating.

INSTRUCTOR: Mr. Noxious Mondays, 7-10 P.M. Room 314, Darkened Hall

BUSINESS & FINANCE



MOOCHING MONEY AND SUPPLIES FROM FRIENDS

Lectures concentrate on concocting long, sad stories, as well as mastering techniques for avoiding repayment, and learning to make new friends faster than you use up the old ones. Course includes field trips to a locker room, a company cafeteria and a bus stop bench, where students will practice their newly leaned skills in acquiring life's luxuries without working for them.

INSTRUCTOR: Mr. DeLorean Tuesdays, 7–9 P.M. Room 16A, Upstairs Hall

RESISTING CHARITY APPEALS

Students learn how to save up to \$1,000 a year by refusing to buy Girl Scout cookies, adopt a homeless puppy or knuckle under to the pleas of Jerry Lewis. Lab sessions help the normally generous develop a hard shell by bombarding them with endless hours of filmed appeals for donations from a local Public Television station.

INSTRUCTOR: Mr. Legree Mondays, 8–11 P.M. Room 107, Winding Hall

INTRODUCTION TO CREDIT CARDING

Recommended for the naive newcomer to the work force who assumes that he must accumulate savings before indulging in life's needless luxuries. Visiting lecturers from nearby jewelry stores, auto agencies and appliance firms will instruct on procedures for acquiring credit cards without references, succumbing to buying whims without logic and, ultimately, filing for bankruptcy without shame.

INSTRUCTOR: Miss Easyterms Saturdays, 1–3 PM. Fitting Room, Downthe Hall

INTERMEDIATE ILLNESS FAKING

A continuation of last year's "Introduction to Illness Faking," in which the student learned how to escape from boring social events by throwing up, and how to get an extra week's vacation by pretending to have bubonic plague. This advanced course stresses illness faking to qualify for disability insurance. Emphasis is on memorizing symptoms of such work-related conditions as Boiler Factory Deafness and Typist's Slouch

INSTRUCTOR: Mrs. Falsewheeze Thursday, 8–10 P.M. Room 139, Carnegie Hall

PRETENDING TO UNDERSTAND REPAIRMEN

Designed for the unmechanical individual who wants to avoid being fleeced on a regular basis by repairmen who sense that he doesn't know anything about torque or British Thermal Units. Lectures help the student memorize complex questions in technical doubletalk that often frighten mechanics into making their bills less fraudulent. Lab sessions teach the klutz how to appear capable in a repair garage by kicking the tires without hurting himself.

INSTRUCTOR: Mr. Kilohertz Sundays, 9 A.M.–Noon. Workshop 4, Tom T. Hall



HOMEMAKING AND HEALTH

JUNK FOODING

Principles of nutrition are applied to acquaint chronic junk food junkies with the long term benefits of eliminating salt from their pretzels, insisting on hamburgers that contain more animal parts than sawdust and brushing their teeth after each jelly doughnut. The course is designed to help junk fooders avoid malnutrition long enough to reach middle age, when they can expect to contract something more fatal.

INSTRUCTOR: Mrs. Cheesepuff Wednesdays, 1 P.M.-Snack Time Room 183, Hall of Fame

COLD CAPSULE SELECTION

Recommended for the pre-sniffling student who needs to sort through the advertising claims of leading cold remedies before he becomes too sick to think clearly. Seminars compare the practical and philosophical advantages of time release versus instant action versus sleep inducement versus clearing clogged nasal passages versus freedom from achy joints versus 12-way relief.

INSTRUCTOR: Doctor Histamine Mondays & Tuesdays, 8–8:15 P.M. Room 112, Deckthe Hall

SIMPLIFIED CHILD REARING

Designed to aid the new mother in finding as much leisure time for tennis and department store browsing as she enjoyed before the little punk was born. Lectures deal with selecting packaged junk food for infant feeding, picking TV shows that will lull pre-toddlers into stupefaction and dunking tots in the back yard birdbath as a short cut to cleanliness.

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Schmock Mondays-Wednesdays, 1-3 P.M. Room 116, Monty Hall



CREATIVE GOSSIP

This course helps the young mother retain her sanity by spreading false rumors and recounting fictional anecdotes to the neighborhood's other trapped young mothers. Lectures also teach the prattling homemaker how to pretend to be listening while actually planning her own rejoinder. Homework assignments include practice in small talk with the gas meter reader, the family cat and the neighborhood flasher.

INSTRUCTOR: Miss Windjammer Thursdays, 2–4:30 P.M. Room 304, Longdark Hall

SOCIAL STUDIES

INTRODUCTION TO FLAUNTING

Designed for the younger working person who wishes to impress others with his success before he has had any success to impress them with. Each student receives a box of designer labels to sew into his cheap clothes, a supply of French wine labels to paste on his cheap, domestic Muscatel and plans for carving an imitation Mercedes out of particle board to park in his driveway.

INSTRUCTOR: Mr. Fakegucci Mondays, 7:30–9:30 P.M. Room 248, Tammany Hall

DEFENSIVE TELEPHONE PRACTICES

Teaches high strung students how to handle the pitfalls of modern telephone use without impulsively ripping the phone out of the wall. Lectures concentrate on appropriate things to say to salesmen who call at mealtime and careless idiots who dial wrong numbers at bedtime. Lab sessions teach dance steps that one can do in a phone booth to the accompaniment of canned music after being put on hold.

INSTRUCTOR: Mr. Janglebell Wednesdays, 6:30–9 P.M. Room 408, City Hall

PSYCHOLOGY

DATING HIGHER TYPE WOMEN

Recommended for the obnoxious male with nothing on the ball who feels doomed to a life of associating with girls who are as undesirable as he is. Lectures deal with methods for lying about social position, pretending to have connections in high places and claiming to possess a good personality that will eventually show through.

INSTRUCTOR: Mr. Dapperchap
Fridays, 9 P.M.-Midnight Rumpus Room, Constitution Hall



PROFITABLE PARTYING

Lectures outline basic principles for throwing successful birthday parties, house warmings, bridal showers and similar bashes where guests are expected to bring presents. Discussions center on planting false rumors that important people will attend and ample food will be served. Course prepares the student to reap \$200 worth of gifts for every \$10 expended on potato chips and garlic dip.

INSTRUCTOR: Miss Vanderbomb Wednesdays, 7–9 P.M. Room 155, Guild Hall

CONTROLLED DRINKING

An ideal course for the unpolished adult who wants to continue attending cocktail parties, but would prefer to taper off on his booze consumption before getting sick all over the other guests. Seminars also emphasize the lack of social smoothness in chugalugging imported wine or guzzling creme de menthe straight out of the bottle at formal gatherings.

INSTRUCTOR: Mr. Boozelitely
Saturdays, 8–10 P.M. Wine Celler, Pall Mall Hall

CONQUERING NEUROTIC GUILT

Instructs the habitual shoplifter, exam cheater and all-round crumb on ways to escape guilt feelings by shifting the blame onto others. Lectures concentrate on rationalizing anti-social behavior by accusing parents of being uninterested, teachers of being unfair, employers of being unappreciative and police of being unfriendly.

INSTRUCTOR: Miss Whimperwell

Tuesdays, 5–8 P.M. Room 227, Hall of Mirrors

PREPARATION FOR FAILURE

This course is designed for the young adult who has just realized that he (or she) will never be a famous brain surgeon or a Hollywood sex symbol or a National Basketball Association superstar. Classroom discussions help the student adjust psychologically to the fact that he may spend his whole life as an apprentice box unpacker on the graveyard shift at a second class supermarket in a crummy neighborhood of a depressing town in a lousy climate.

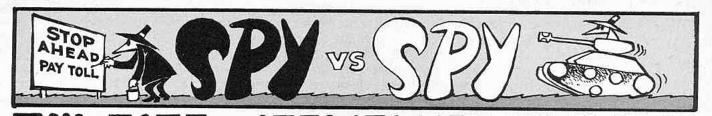
INSTRUCTOR: Mr. McTrudge
Thursdays, 6-8:15 P.M. Room 339, Pool Hall

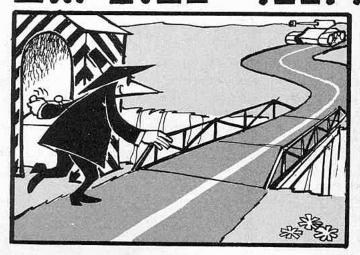


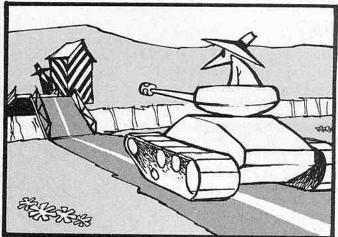
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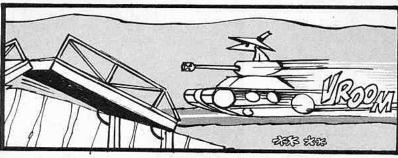
Designed to help any student with an I.Q. over 90 handle the anger and frustration that arise from living in a world filled with clods who are dumber and less conscientious than he or she is. Lab sessions stress self-hypnosis and other psychological tricks for growing to accept slow or non-delivery of vital mail, improper repair of vital appliances and, ultimately, incorrect treatment of illness in vital organs.

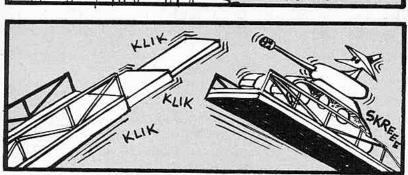
INSTRUCTOR: Mr. Sloven Tuesdays, 7–9:30 P.M. Room 702, Unswept Hall

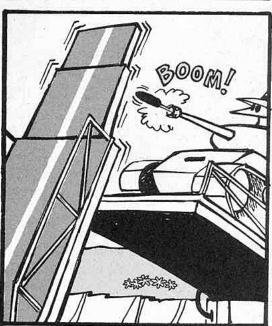












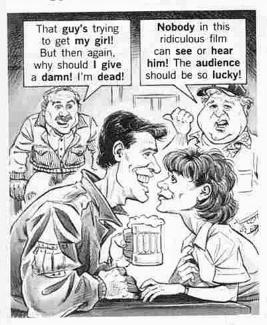


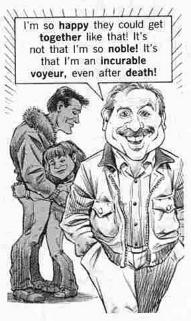
HART BURN DEPT.

Hey there, smart MAD reader! You never see a movie when it's playing in a theater! No, you wait until it comes out on video cassette so you can save all that money! But what do you do with all that money you save? Instead of wasting it on silly things like food and shelter, why not send it to us at MAD? We'll put it to good use! And, we'll even give you capsule reviews of the current video movies so you won't have to rent them! That'll save you even more money, which you can send to us! Deal? Good!

ALWAYS

Steven Spielberg loves old movies. So he decided to make one! This new oldie was adapted from a 1944 classic, "A Guy Named Joe." He should have let sleeping dogs lie. Before seeing this film you might have asked, "Whatever happened to Holly Hunter"? After seeing it, you ask the same thing...





TANGO AND CASH

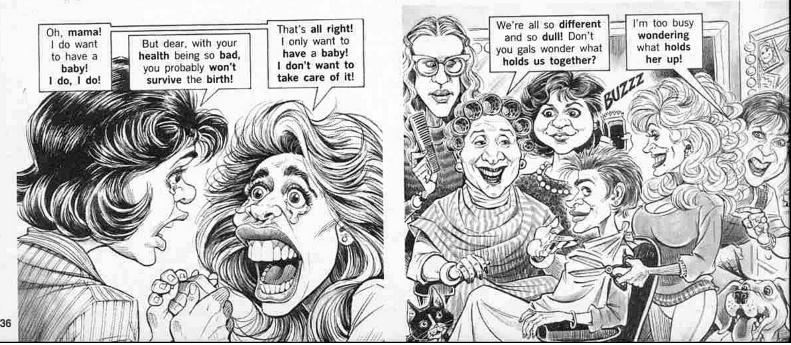
Watching Sly Stallone act in a buddy film is almost as much fun as carrying Pi to the twentieth place! In this one he wears glasses, but even behind that masterful disguise you can still recognize one of the truly bad actors of our time.



ARTIST: SAM VIVIANO

STEEL MAGNOLIAS

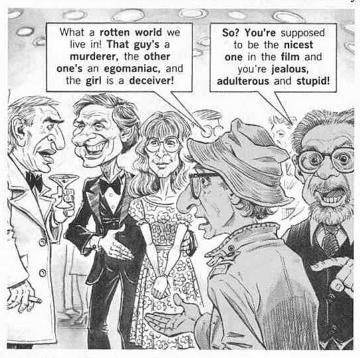
The action (if you can find any in this talk-a-thon) takes place in a small, southern town. Dolly Parton owns the local beauty parlor. We can believe that. What we can't believe is that women would actually let her work on their hair!



MAD'S VIDEO REVIEWS

CRIMES AND MISDEMEANORS

If you want entertainment, rent a movie. If you want a long-winded lecture on morality, then rent this movie! However, this film does have one benefit. It allows you to test how well your "Fast Forward" button is working!





WRITER: STAN HART

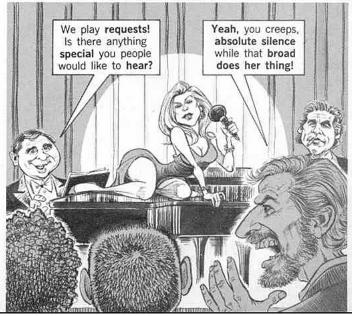
UNCLE BUCK

For all the hooplah about John Candy, he's no Oliver Hardy. He's not even a Curly Howard. He's just fat. And if you think that fat people are funny—with all their various eating disorders and their astronomical cholesterol and blood pressure levels—then you're a little funny yourself!



THE FABULOUS BAKER BOYS

With Beau and Jeff Bridges as the Baker Boys, this film doesn't live up to its title. Ahh, but when Michelle Pfeiffer appears, well, she's Phabulous! She's so sexy, she's liable to put you through puberty all by pherself!



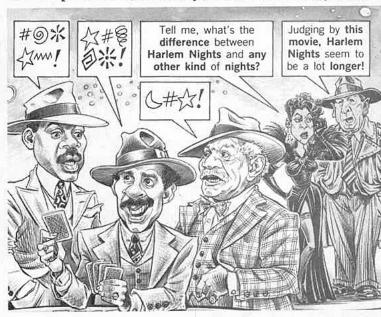
CHRISTMAS VACATION

This is the third film in the "Vacation" series. If fans of the old Saturday Night Live shows had one Christmas wish, they might wish that Chase stop playing the same part over and over and over again. Didn't he once have a lot more talent than this?



HARLEM NIGHTS

Here's a prescription for a hit movie: take top comedians like Eddie Murphy, Richard Pryor, Redd Foxx, and Arsenio Hall and set them loose in a lavish, multi-million dollar extravaganza. Then sit back and count the money. But not so fast! Something went wrong. It seems that Eddie Murphy wrote the script and although he's a terrific comedian he isn't much of a script writer. Just ask Art Buchwald! How to solve that problem? Also make him the director. But he isn't much of a director, either. So what was left? Make him the producer. But...well, you know the rest by now.



SHE DEVIL

This film has a double surprise. One: that Meryl Streep can really play comedy and two: that Roseanne Barr can't! About the silliest thing in this silly movie is giving Roseanne an ugly black mole on her cheek, as if she needed that to make her look unattractive next to Meryl.

SEA OF LOVE

Here's yet another film about predatory women. In this one, Al Pacino and his sidekick, John Goodman, are detectives trying to track down a gal who puts personal ads in magazines. Is it more than a coincidence that anyone who responds to them gets killed? Or is it that lousy title song that's killing them?



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- C) Agreeing to pose for this photo

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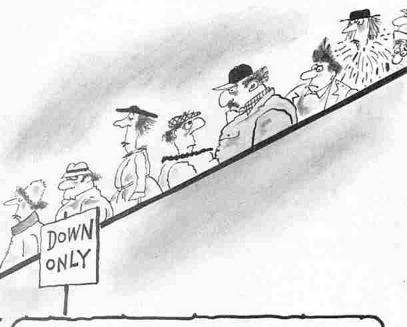
Remember, you don't need five years of medical training to tell someone to "spit"!



SEEK SICKNESS DEPT.

What time is it? That's right, gang! It's MAD game time! Time to use your finely-honed powers of logic, deductive reasoning and keen observation! Or, you could just forget it and have yourself a baloney sandwich! Either way, you've got to find the baloney or . . .

... FERSHLUGGINER ILLITERATE!



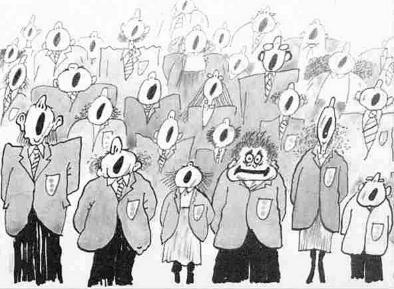
... CREEP THAT'S GONNA GET THE FOUL-TIPPED BALL!



... POOR WUSS WHO'S ALLERGIC TO CATS!



... DOPEY CLOD WHO CAN'T REMEMBER THE WORDS TO THE SONG!







ARTIST AND WRITER: PAUL PETER PORGES

... SPACE CADET WHO'S A VEGETARIAN!



... LUCKY MEATHEAD WHO WON THE LOTTERY!



... SHMENDRICK WHO'S GOING TO COUGH THROUGHOUT THE SHOW!



... LAZY SLOB THAT'S GOING TO OUTLIVE EVERYONE!



TO THE OWNER OF THE DOG THAT USES MY YARD FOR A BATHROOM

I've never seen you late at night
Or at the break of dawn,
The times you choose to free your dog
So he'll befoul my lawn!
It's quite amazing how that mutt
Adores my maple tree,

He runs to greet its stately trunk,
Which suits him to a "P."
I hope to soon repay your calls.
I'm searching very hard
To find myself an elephant
To fertilize your yard.



STRANGERS IN THE WRITE DEPT.

It used to be people would only send greeting cards on Valentine's Day and at Christmas. Since this meant no one bought cards between February and December, card companies worked very hard to

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ARTIST: HARRY NORTH

TO A MOTORIST WHO JUST SITS THERE WHEN THE LIGHT TURNS GREEN

Five days a week, I leave for work
And get delayed by you.
Each Eight-fifteen, you ponder through
One green light—maybe two.
Are you some noble thinker with
Great visions in your head?
Or do you get behind the wheel
With brains still home in bed?
Or are you a sadistic boss
Who likes to sit and wait,
So you can fire slobs like me
For always being late?!



TO THE PORNOGRAPHY FAN WHOSE MAIL I ACCIDENTALLY RECEIVED

Your "Sexy Singles Monthly" was
Delivered to my box.
I also got your "Guide To Sin"
(You're quite a sly old fox.)
I know how much you like this smut
Each sleazy slimebag sends,
And so I gave it to—guess who?





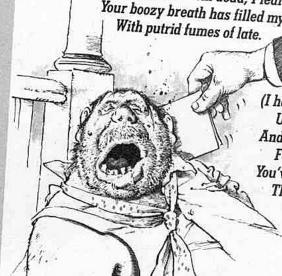
make us feel guilty if we didn't send cards for Easter, St. Patrick's Day, Halloween and Thanksgiving too! Are they satisfied? No! That's why MAD foresees the day when they try to sell us...

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WRITER: TOM KOCH

TO THE LOCAL DRUNK WHO SLEEPS IT OFF AT MY FRONT DOOR

I tuck this card beneath your head To wish you loads of cheer, Although you've barfed upon my shrubs, And killed them dead, I fear. Your boozy breath has filled my house

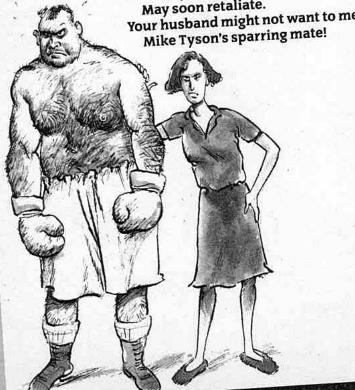


(I hesitate to light a match Until I fumigate.) And yet I owe you quite a debt For stopping by to stink. You've prompted all my kids to vow They'll never take a drink!

TO THE MOTHER OF THE CLASS BULLY WHO IS IN THIRD GRADE WITH MY SON

Your kid calls mine a "little wimp," And punches out his lights. It's said you praise him loudly when He wins those daily fights.

It's best you know my kid's old man May soon retaliate. Your husband might not want to meet



To a Homicidal Maniac Who Will Soon Be Back On The Streets

I can't express how swell you are, No matter how I try. My admiration knows no bounds, You're sure my kind of guy. It fills my heart with joy to learn That you have won parole. My hopes have long been with you as You sought to reach that goal. The judge who set you free again Believes you've changed for good. So prove he's right and move right in That judge's neighborhood!



BIG HAM ON CAMPUS DEPT.

There's a TV show that features someone who is supposed to be a builder of men, a molder of character, an example for











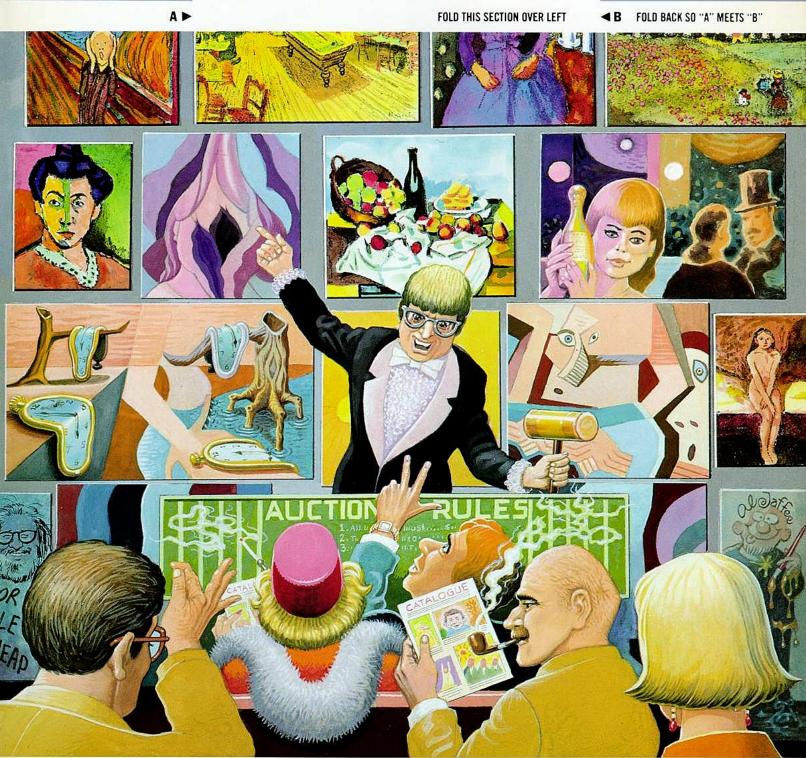
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BAFFLED BY RISING PRICES, PEOPLE WISH FOR BY-GONE TIMES WITHOUT INFLATION. SUCH A SITUATION WOULD BE VERY WELCOME IN MANY QUARTERS.

